

# State of California—Health and Human Services Agency Department of Health Care Services



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STATE PLAN AMENDMENT 19-0046: RESTORATION OF OPTIONAL BENEFITS

Dear Mr. Allen:

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) is submitting State Plan Amendment (SPA) 19-0046 for your review and approval. This SPA proposes to restore coverage for certain optional benefits, effective January 1, 2020. In addition, SPA 19-0046 also removes the monthly two-visit limit for services by podiatrists, effective January 1, 2020, as required by Assembly Bill 678 (Flora, Chapter 433, Statutes of 2019).

Senate Bill 78 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review, Chapter 38, Statutes of 2019) amended Welfare and Institutions Code Section 14131.10 to restore the following optional benefits for all populations in all settings:

- Optometric and optician services, including services provided by a fabricating optical laboratory
- Audiology services
- Speech therapy services
- Podiatric services
- Incontinence creams and washes

SPA 19-0046 revises, removes, or adds language to the provisions set forth in the following sections of the State Plan:

- Limitations on Attachment 3.1-A and 3.1-B, page 3b
- Limitations on Attachment 3.1-A and 3.1-B, page 3d
- Limitations on Attachment 3.1-A and 3.1-B, page 3e
- Limitations on Attachment 3.1-A and 3.1-B, page 10b

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- Limitations on Attachment 3.1-A and 3.1-B, page 10c
- Limitations on Attachment 3.1-A and 3.1-B, page 11
- Limitations on Attachment 3.1-A and 3.1-B, page 12
- Limitations on Attachment 3.1-A and 3.1-B, page 13
- Limitations on Attachment 3.1-A and 3.1-B, page 15
- Limitations on Attachment 3.1-A and 3.1-B, page 15a
- Limitations on Attachment 3.1-A and 3.1-B, page 16a
- Limitations on Attachment 3.1-A and 3.1-B, page 16b
- Limitations on Attachment 3.1-A and 3.1-B, page 16c
- Limitations on Attachment 3.1-A and 3.1-B, page 18a
- Supplement 6 to Attachment 4.19-B, page 2
- Supplement 6 to Attachment 4.19-B, page 2a

DHCS published the public and tribal notices for SPA 19-0046 and corresponding Alternative Benefit Plan SPA 19-0047 on August 26, 2019. DHCS held the tribal webinar on August 29, 2019, and as of September 20, 2019, received one comment. We will post our response on the DHCS webpage for Notices of Proposed Changes to the Medi-Cal program at <a href="https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/rural/Pages/Tribal\_Notifications.aspx">https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/rural/Pages/Tribal\_Notifications.aspx</a>.

If you have any questions regarding the SPA, please contact Cynthia Smiley, Chief, Benefits Division, by telephone at (916) 345-8240, or by email at Cynthia. Smiley@dhcs.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES	1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER  1 9 0 0 46  3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION:	2. STATE California	
	Title XIX of the Social Security	y Act (Medicaid)	
TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE January 1, 2020		
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10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT Restores full coverage for audiology services, speech therapy, podiatry, optometric and optician services, and incontinence creams and washes. Removes the monthly two-visit limit for podiatrist services.			
11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One)  GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL			
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For Box 11 "Other, As Specified," Please note: The Governor's Office does not wish to review the State Plan Amendment.			

### PRIOR AUTHORIZATION OR TYPE OF SERVICE PROGRAM COVERAGE\*\* OTHER REQUIREMENTS\* 2b. Rural Health Clinic services 9. Licensed acupuncturist who is authorized to provide and other ambulatory services acupuncture services by the State and who is acting within the scope of his/her license. covered under the state plan (continued). 10. Licensed marriage and family therapist who is authorized to provide marriage and family therapist services by the State and who is acting within the scope of his/her license. The following services are limited to a maximum of two services in any one calendar month or any combination of two services per month, although additional services can be provided based on medical necessity: acupuncture, audiology, chiropractic, occupational therapy, and speech therapy.

TN No. <u>19-0046</u> Supersedes TN No. <u>18-00</u>03-A

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#### PRIOR AUTHORIZATION OR TYPE OF SERVICE PROGRAM COVERAGE\*\* OTHER REQUIREMENTS\* 2c. and 2d. Federally 4. Certified Nurse Midwife (CNM) who is authorized to practice nursing and midwifery services by the State and who is acting Qualified Health Center within the scope of his/her license. (FQHC) services and other ambulatory services 5. Visiting nurse who is authorized to practice nursing by the State covered under the state and who is acting within the scope of his/her license. plan (continued). 6. Comprehensive Perinatal Services Program (CPSP) practitioner services. 7. Licensed clinical social worker who is authorized to practice social work services by the State and who is acting within the scope of his/her license. 8. Clinical psychologist who is authorized to practice psychology services by the State and who is acting within the scope of his/her license. 9. Licensed acupuncturist who is authorized to provide acupuncture services by the State and who is acting within the scope of his/her license. 10. Licensed marriage and family therapist who is authorized to provide marriage and family therapist services by the State and who is acting within the scope of his/her license.

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TYPE OF SERVICE	PROGRAM COVERAGE**	PRIOR AUTHORIZATION OR OTHER REQUIREMENTS*
2c. and 2d. Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) services and other ambulatory services covered under the state plan (continued).	The following services are limited to a maximum of two services in any one calendar month or any combination of two services per month, although additional services can be provided based on medical necessity: acupuncture, audiology, chiropractic, occupational therapy, and speech therapy.	
	FQHC home nursing services are provided only to established patients of the center to ensure continuity of care. Physician services and home nursing services in those areas having a shortage of home health agencies are covered.	Refer to home health services section for additional requirements.

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Medical care and any other type of remedial care recognized under State law.		
6a. Podiatry	Services by podiatrists for the treatment of disorders of the feet which complicate, or are secondary to, chronic medical diseases or which significantly impair the ability to walk are covered when furnished within their scope of practice in accordance with California state law.  Routine nail trimming is not covered.  Inpatient services are covered only on written order of the physician or podiatrist who admits the patient to the hospital and only when the period of hospital stay is covered by the program.	All services provided in SNFs and ICFs are subject to prior authorization.

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### PRIOR AUTHORIZATION OR TYPE OF SERVICE PROGRAM COVERAGE\*\* OTHER REQUIREMENTS\* 6c. Chiropractic Services by chiropractors are covered when furnished within their scope of practice in accordance with California state law. Chiropractic services are limited to manual manipulation of the spine. This is a covered benefit only for the following beneficiaries: 1. Pregnant women, if the chiropractic service is part of their pregnancy-related services or services for a condition that might complicate the pregnancy. 2. Individuals who are eligible for the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment benefit. Outpatient chiropractic services are limited to a maximum of two TAR is required for a chiropractic service visit that services in any one calendar month or any combination of two services per month from the following services, although exceeds the two-visit limit. additional services can be provided based on medical necessity through the TAR process: acupuncture, audiology, occupational therapy, and speech therapy.

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6d.3 Acupuncture	Services by acupuncturists are covered to prevent, modify, or alleviate the perception of severe, persistent chronic pain resulting from a generally recognized medical condition when furnished within their scope of practice in accordance with California state law.	
	Outpatient acupuncture services are limited to a maximum of two services in any one calendar month or any combination of two services per month from the following services, although additional services can be provided based upon medical necessity through the TAR process: audiology, chiropractic, occupational therapy, and speech therapy.	TAR is required for an acupuncture service visit that exceeds the two-visit limit.

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(Note: This chart is an overview only)

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7c.1 Medical supplies	As prescribed by a physician within the scope of his/her practice.  Common household items, supplies not primarily medical in nature, and articles of clothing are not covered.  Medical supplies provided in renal dialysis centers are included in the all-inclusive rate and are not separately billable.	Prior authorization is required for certain items and for items not used for the conditions specified in the Medical Supplies Formulary.
	Medical supplies commonly used in providing SNF and ICF level of care are not separately billable.	
	Blood and blood derivatives are covered when ordered by a physician or dentist.	Prior authorization is not required.  Certification that voluntary blood donation cannot be obtained is required from blood banks supplying the blood or facility where transfusion is given.

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7d. Physical and occupational therapy, speech therapy, and audiology services provided by a home health agency.	See 11. The two-visit limit does not apply to therapies provided in the home health setting.	See 11.
8. Special duty nursing services.	Not covered.	
9. Clinic services	Clinic services are covered under this state plan. Clinic services means preventive, diagnostic, therapeutic, rehabilitative, or palliative services that are furnished by a facility that is not part of a hospital but is organized and operated to provide medical care to outpatients. Clinic services include outpatient heroin or other opioid detoxification services. Services shall be furnished at the clinic by or under the direction of a physician or dentist.  Chiropractic services are a covered benefit only for the following beneficiaries:  • Pregnant women, if the chiropractic service is part of their pregnancy-related services or services for a condition that might complicate the pregnancy.  • Individuals who are eligible for the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment benefit.	Refer to appropriate service section for prior authorization requirements.  Narcotic Treatment Programs pursuant to federal and state regulations are the only facilities that may administer methadone for heroin or other opioid detoxification services. Other narcotic drugs permitted by federal law may be used for outpatient heroin or other opioid detoxification services at any outpatient clinic or physician office setting where the medical staff has appropriate state and federal certifications for treatment of opioid dependence outside of Narcotic Treatment Programs. Refer to type of service "5a Physician Services" for prior authorization and other requirements for outpatient heroin or other opioid detoxification services.

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9. Clinic services (continued)	The following services are limited to a maximum of two services in any one calendar month or any combination of two services per month, although additional services can be provided based on medical necessity through the TAR process: acupuncture, audiology, chiropractic, occupational therapy, and speech therapy.	
10. Dental services	Effective January 1, 2018, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. Section 1396d(a)(10), emergency and essential diagnostic and restorative dental services are covered, based on medical necessity and subject to limitations contained in applicable state statutes, regulations, manual of criteria, and utilization controls. For beneficiaries 21 years of age and older, there is an \$1,800 annual benefit maximum, unless medically necessary or under the following exception:  • Emergency dental services  • Services that are federally mandated under Part 440 (commencing with Section 440.1) of Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations, including pregnancy-related services and for other conditions that might complicate the pregnancy  • Dentures  • Maxillofacial and complex oral surgery  • Maxillofacial services, including dental implants and implant-retained prostheses  • Services provided in long-term care facilities  For beneficiaries under 21 years of age, medically necessary dental services mandated by Sections 1905(a)(4)(B) and (r) of the Social Security Ace (42 U.S.C. Sections 1396d(a)(4)(B) and (r)), early and periodic screening, diagnostic, and treatment services are covered. Cosmetic procedures, experimental procedures, and orthodontic services for beneficiaries 21 years of age and older are not covered benefits.	Dental services are administered through an agreement between the Medi-Cal Dental program and its contractor(s). On behalf of the State, the Dental contractor(s) shall approve and provide payment for covered dental services performed by an enrolled dental provider when services are provided in accordance with the State's manual of criteria.

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11b. Occupational Therapy Occupational therapy is covered for the restoration, maintenant and acquisition of skills only when prescribed by a physician, dentist, or podiatrist. Prescriptions for treatment plans are limit to six months and may be renewed for medical necessity.  Outpatient occupational therapy provided in a certified rehabilitation center is covered only when billed by the rehabilitation center.		Services must be performed by providers who meet the applicable qualification requirements as defined for occupational therapy in 42 CFR Section 440.110(b), licensed and within their scope of practice under state law.
	In a certified rehabilitation center, one visit in a six-month period to evaluate the patient and prepare an extended treatment plan may be provided without authorization.	More than one evaluation visit in a six-month period requires authorization.
	Outpatient occupational therapy services are limited to a maximum of two services in any one calendar month or any combination of two services per month from the following services, although additional services can be provided based upon medical necessity through the TAR process: acupuncture, audiology, chiropractic, and speech therapy.	TAR is required for an occupational therapy visit that exceeds the two-visit limit.

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11c. Speech Therapy/Audiology	Speech therapy for the restoration, maintenance, and acquisition of skills and audiology may be provided only upon the prescription of a physician or dentist. Prescriptions for treatment plans are limited to six months and may be renewed for medical necessity.	Services must be performed by providers who meet the applicable qualification requirements as defined for speech therapy and audiology services in 42 CFR Section
	Speech therapy and audiology provided in a certified rehabilitation center is covered only when billed by the rehabilitation center.	440.110(c), licensed and within their scope of practice under state law.
	In a certified rehabilitation center, one visit in a six-month period to evaluate the patient and prepare an extended treatment plan may be provided without authorization.	More than one evaluation visit in a six-month period requires authorization.
	Outpatient speech therapy and audiology services are limited to a maximum of two services in any one calendar month or any combination of two services per month from among the following services, although additional services can be provided based on medical necessity through the TAR process: acupuncture, chiropractic, and occupational therapy.	TAR is required for a speech therapy or audiology visit that exceeds the two-visit limit.

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11c. Speech Therapy/Audiology (continued)	Outpatient speech therapy and audiology services are limited to a maximum of two services in any one calendar month or any combination of two services per month from among the following services, although additional services can be provided based on medical necessity through the TAR process: acupuncture, chiropractic, and occupational therapy.	TAR is required for a speech therapy or audiology visit that exceeds the two-visit limit.

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12d. Eyeglasses and other eye appliances	Covered as medically necessary on the prescription of a physician or optometrist.	Prior authorization is required for low vision devices when the billed amounts are over \$100 and for contact lenses when medically indicated for conditions such as aphakia, keratoconus, anisometropia, or when facial pathology or deformity preclude the use of glasses. Prior authorization is required for ophthalmic lenses and specialty frames that cannot be supplied by the fabricating optical laboratory.
13a. Diagnostic Services	Covered under this state plan only for the EPSDT benefit.	g special y
13b. Screening Services	Covered under this state plan only for the EPSDT benefit.	
13c. Preventive Services	Includes, at a minimum, a broad range of preventive services including "A" or "B" services recommended by the United States Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF); Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommended vaccines; preventive care and screening for infants, children, and adults recommended by Health Resources and Services Administration's (HRSA) Bright Futures program/project; and additional preventive services for women as recommended by the Institute of Medicine (IOM).  Services are provided and covered by a physician or other licensed practitioner within the scope of his or her practice under State law and are reimbursed according to the methodologies for those services in that portion of the state plan.	Prior authorization is not required and services are exempt from cost sharing in accordance with ACA Section 4106.  The State assures the availability of documentation to support the claiming of federal reimbursement for these services.  The State assures that the benefit package will be updated as changes are made to USPSTF, ACIP, and IOM recommendations, and that the State will update coverage and billing codes to comply with these revisions.

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## REIMBURSEMENT FOR INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES AND TRIBAL 638 HEALTH FACILITIES

- A. Below is a list of health professionals that may bill under the HIS all-inclusive rate:
  - Physician
  - Physician Assistant
  - Nurse Practitioner
  - Nurse Midwife
  - Registered Dental Hygienist
  - Registered Dental Hygienist in Extended Functions
  - Registered Dental Hygienist in Alternative Practice
  - Clinical Psychologist
  - Clinical Social Worker
  - Marriage and Family Therapist
  - Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor
  - Acupuncturist
  - Visiting Nurse, if services are provided in the Tribal facilities
  - Under the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment (EPSDT) benefit, the services
    of Licensed Marriage, Family, and Child Counselors are available as "other health visit" to persons
    under 21 years of age, as a result of an EPSDT screening which identifies the need for a service
    which is necessary to correct or ameliorate a mental illness or condition.
- B. Comprehensive Perinatal Service Program providers who are licensed and/or certified practitioners who are able to render covered services in accordance with their scope of practice as identified in California statute. A September 17, 1985, HCPA letter allows these services as a physician or clinic service.
- C. In addition, below is a list of associates and interns that may provide Medi-Cal psychology services:
  - Associate Marriage and Family Therapist
  - Associate Professional Clinical Counselor
  - Associate Clinical Social Worker
  - Psychological Assistant

Associates and assistants must be under the supervision of a licensed mental health professional, in accordance with their scope of practice and applicable state laws.

- D. Except for the services specified under Item E below, the following other ambulatory services, but not limited to, provided by health professionals can be billed under the IHS all-inclusive rate.
  - Acupuncture
  - Medical and surgical services provided by a doctor of dental medicine or dental surgery which, if provided by a physician, would be considered physician services
  - Physical Therapy
  - Occupational Therapy
  - Podiatry
  - Drug and alcohol visits (subject to Medi-Cal provider participation requirements)
  - Telemedicine and teledentistry (no additional live transmission costs will be reimbursed)
  - Optometry

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- E. Chiropractic services are covered only for the following beneficiaries:
  - Pregnant women, if the chiropractic service is part of their pregnancy-related services or services for a condition that might complicate the pregnancy.
  - Individuals who are eligible for the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment benefit.

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